Chapman Tripp Iwi Governance Scholarship in Law

**Description**

The Scholarship was established in 2012 and is funded by Chapman Tripp, a New Zealand commercial law practice whose Te Waka Ture group is well known for expertise in Iwi Governance issues.

The purpose of the Scholarship is to support a student who is currently enrolled in Part II or above of an LLB or LLB conjoint degree, and who has a particular interest in iwi management and governance.

**Selection process**

- Application is made to the Scholarships Office
- A Selection Committee assesses the applications
- Short-listed candidates may be required to attend an interview
- The Scholarship is awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of the Selection Committee

**Regulations**

1. The Scholarship will be known as the Chapman Tripp Iwi Governance Scholarship in Law.
2. One Scholarship may be awarded annually, for a period of one year, and will be up to the value of $5,000.
3. To be eligible for Scholarship consideration, applicants must i) be a citizen or permanent resident of New Zealand, ii) have completed Part I and been admitted to, and is enrolled in, Part II or above in a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) or LLB conjoint degree at the University of Auckland at the time of application, and iii) intending to enrol in the remainder of their Part II study or in Part III or Part IV study in the University of Auckland Law School in the following year. A grade point average of 5.00 (4.50 for Māori and Pacific applicants) is required for Scholarship consideration.
4. The basis of selection will be demonstrated participation in Māori contexts, which may also include proficiency in Te Reo Māori, as assessed by a personal statement (see Note I), academic merit as measured by the applicant’s GPA across all Law courses completed at the time of application, the quality of an essay of no more than 500 words on a topic of the applicant’s choice on Māori law or iwi management and governance issues (see Note II), and performance in an interview. Short-listed candidates may be interviewed by the Selection Committee.
5. The Scholarship will be awarded by the University of Auckland Council on the recommendation of a Selection Committee.
6. To be paid the Scholarship, awardees must be enrolled in Part II, Part III or Part IV of an LLB or LLB conjoint degree.
7. The Scholarship will be paid in two equal instalments, in Semester One and Two, as soon as is practical after confirmation of the awardee’s enrolment (that is, after the final date on which a student may add or delete courses without incurring a late enrolment fee).
8. The Scholarship may be held concurrently with any other scholarship, award or grant as long as the regulations for that scholarship, award or grant permit and the University of Auckland Council is informed and approves. It is the responsibility of the awardee to declare to the Scholarships Office all other scholarships, awards or grant funding received and for which the awardee receives payment while also in payment for this Scholarship.
9. The University of Auckland Council, in consultation with the Donor, has the power to terminate or suspend a Scholarship if it receives a report of unsatisfactory progress of a Scholar from the Dean of Law.
10. The University of Auckland Council is not obliged to make an award if it is determined there is no candidate that meets the criteria and/or no candidate of sufficient merit.
11. The University of Auckland Council can amend or vary these Regulations, in consultation with the Donor, provided that there is no departure from the main purpose of the Scholarship.
12. Applications close with the Scholarships Office on 2 November in the year preceding the award.
13. Notes [I]-[IV] below are deemed to be regulations.

Notes

I. Applicants must provide a short statement as part of their application outlining what activities they have been involved with in Te Ao Māori (for example, local community or student body involvement, Marae activities, kapa haka, continued learning or teaching of Te Reo, tutoring or mentoring students, etc.)

II. In some years, Chapman Tripp may, in consultation with the Selection Committee, determine a specific topic for the essay.

III. Payments under the terms of this Scholarship remain tax-free as long as they are used directly for the payment of costs associated with an awardee’s programme of study and to assist the awardee with living costs while studying. Failure to comply with this regulation will result in the termination of the Scholarship.

IV. Awardees will be required to comply with the regulations for the Scholarship and must notify the Scholarships Office of any change in their enrolment or funding status. The University of Auckland may, in the event that it can be established that an awardee is not complying with these regulations, terminate the Scholarship and require repayment of the funds received from the date of the breach.